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WILDERNESS
ENVELOPS
TAFTPRESIDENT PENETRATES HEART
OF THE FAMOUS YOSEMITE
VALLEY

TWO DAYS OF GOOD REST

WILL ENJOY BRIEF RESPIRE
FROM HIS STRENUOUS
JOURNEY

TRAVELING NOW BY STAGE

TREATED TO SOME OF MOST
MAGNIFICENT SCENERY IN
CALIFORNIA

El Portal, Calif., Oct. 7.—After arriving here at 7 o'clock this morning, President Taft abandoned the railroad for the stage coach and is thus traveling through the Yosemite valley to the famous big trees. The president will enjoy eight hours' stage riding before he reaches Wawona, where he will spend the night, before starting to penetrate the wonderful Sequoia grove. Luncheon will be served today at Chinquapin. The rest from cheering crowds for three days with no speeches to make until he reaches Fresno, on Sunday afternoon, is expected to put the president in good shape for the remainder of his trip. The president will probably spend Friday night at Glacier Point, returning to El Portal Saturday and resuming his journey to Los Angeles Sunday morning. John Muir accompanied the president today. At the president's request the escort of a troop of cavalry was dispensed with.

"PAT" McELROY PRESIDENT
FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

(Special Dispatch)
Carlsbad, N. M., Oct. 7.—The New Mexico association of volunteer firemen meeting here in annual session, have elected P. D. McElroy, of Las Vegas, president of the association for the ensuing year. McElroy is a mem-

COLDER WEATHER WITH
RAIN IS PREDICTED

Denver, Colo., Oct. 7.—High pressure on the Pacific coast indicates rain and much cooler weather tonight throughout Colorado, Wyoming, New Mexico and Arizona, according to U. S. weather bureau. The cold wave is expected to be the first real touch of winter. A general warning has been issued.

COMMERCIAL CLUB SELLS ITS
INTEREST IN MASONIC TEMPLE

The Commercial club of this city has sold its interest in the second floor of the handsome Masonic Temple on Douglas avenue, to the Masonic Building association, owner of the building proper. The price paid is in the neighborhood of \$12,000.

This deal has been pending for some time and its consummation does not come as a surprise. At the time the Masonic Temple was built, the plans at first called for but two floors. The Montezuma club, which was in existence at that time, entered into an agreement with the Masonic Building association, to stand the cost of an extra floor, provided the building was made three stories. The proposition met with favor and the building was made a three-story structure.

At the time of the consolidation of the Montezuma club, the Board of Trade and the Commercial club, into one organization, the present Commercial club, the latter assumed the indebtedness originally incurred by the Montezuma club, and took over the second floor of the Masonic Temple, the present elegant quarters of the club. At the time, it was agreed that at a certain time the Masonic Building association should have the

ber of the E. Romero Fire and Hose company in his home city and one of the most popular members of the association. He succeeds B. Ruppe, of Albuquerque.

Today in the contests for prizes, first honors went to the Santa Fe fire department, its team winning the \$100 cash prize in the dry test. This team also won the second prizes, \$25 each, in the ladder climbing and double-coupling events.

Eleven teams were entered and the contests were very exciting. The meeting closes tonight with a smoker at which the visiting firemen will be guests of the Carlsbad department.

Las Vegas seems the most likely candidate for next year's meeting, its representatives at the convention making a determined fight.

NEW MEXICO MILITIA
CHALLENGES REGULARS

(Special Dispatch)
Santa Fe, N. M., Oct. 7.—"The New Mexico National Guard members are not molly-coddles," said Adjutant General R. A. Ford emphatically today, "and will take part in the war maneuvers of the regulars next year. The Associated Press dispatches yesterday applied only to the Massachusetts militia, which flunked in the recent maneuvers. It will be optional with the militia in the future whether to participate or to do lighter duties, but the New Mexico boys will take all that is coming to them."

DEAL ON FOR PURCHASE
OF LAST CHANCE MINE

Silver City, N. M., Oct. 7.—The pending sale of all the mining property of the Ernestine Mining company, including the wonderfully rich and productive Last Chance mine, the company's mill (now running at its full capacity), water rights, etc., located at Mogollon, to E. A. Wayne comes as a fitting climax to the several unusually large mining deals which have been consummated during the present year in the section of New Mexico directly tributary to Silver City. While the actual transfer has not yet been made, it has been learned that a company capitalized at \$3,000,000, will take over this valuable property at an early date.

PASSENGER TRAINS
BEHIND TIME TODAY

The passenger trains have again been badly out of gear for some reason today, the first section of No. 1 this afternoon being the only train to reach the city on schedule time. No. 7 from the east is reported on time this evening, but No. 9 is running nearly an hour late. The second section of No. 1 from the east this afternoon came in an hour and a half late and No. 2 from the west was an hour and a half behind card time.

IRISH CHAMPION TO
CAMPAIGN IN AMERICA

London, Oct. 7.—T. P. O'Connor sails shortly for the United States at the request of John E. Redmond, the Irish leader, to explain the political situation to the supporters of the Irish cause in America and to appeal to them for funds to carry on the struggle for home rule. The coming election is regarded as one of the most critical periods in the fight.

PROMINENT ALL IS READY
MEN MAY
TESTIFY
FOR BIG
GAMESPRELIMINARY HEARING IN BIG
LIBEL SUIT ATTRACTS
ATTENTION

SET FOR MONDAY NEXT

PROPRIETORS OF THE INDIAN-
APOLIS NEWS ARE THE
DEFENDANTS

ECHO OF LAST CAMPAIGN

CASE GREW OUT OF SENSATION-
AL CHARGES MADE CONCERN-
ING PANAMA CANAL

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 7.—Although subpoenas have not yet been issued, it is sure that many public men, including Postmaster General Hitchcock, Norman E. Mack and the representatives of J. P. Morgan & Co., will be called on to testify at the preliminary hearing of Delevan Smith and C. R. Williams, proprietors of the Indianapolis News, charged with criminal libel in the Panama canal cases, which will be held Monday.

ATROCIOUS MURDER IN
RIO ARRIBA COUNTY

(Special Dispatch)
Santa Fe, N. M., Oct. 7.—Last night, while drunk after a dance at Lumberton, Rio Arriba county, Pablo Martinez, who has already served four years in the penitentiary for assault with intent to kill, shot and killed Jose Trujillo, a well known sheep man. Martinez made his escape. Martinez was indicted at the last term of court for wife beating, but his wife begged so hard that he was discharged.

DR. COOK GUEST OF
KANSAS CITY TODAY

Kansas City, Oct. 7.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the Arctic explorer, arrived here to lecture this morning. He was the guest of honor at a luncheon and will head the flower parade of the Priests of Pallas parade, a commercial organization, this afternoon.

BLOODY REVOLUTION THREATENS
KINGDOM RULED BY ALFONSO

Paris, Oct. 7.—Aleandro Le Roux, a member of the Spanish chamber of deputies, who is returning to Spain after two years' exile in Brazil, declared today the liberal elements in Spain were now concentrated and that a revolution was possible and easy.

The police today broke up a gathering of social revolutionists who had assembled before the Spanish embassy to protest against the trying of Farrer, the leader of the Barcelona revolutionists, by a court martial. They later paraded the streets, carrying a banner reading "The Monks want the head of Farrer."

Repulse Night Attack

Melilla, Oct. 7.—The searchlights of the Spanish army revealed a night at-

PITTSBURG AND DETROIT CLASH
TOMORROW AT FORBES
FIELD

WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP

MULLIN WILL OCCUPY BOX FOR
TIGERS, ADAMS FOR THE
PIRATES

EXTRA POLICE PROTECTION

TWO HUNDRED FIFTY SPECIAL
BLUE COATS WILL HANDLE
GREAT CROWD

Pittsburg, Oct. 7.—A dense fog enveloped Pittsburg today and the army of baseball followers fear adverse weather conditions for the first game of world's series here tomorrow. A portion of the Detroit team has arrived, as have the members of the National Baseball commission, who will investigate the charges of seat speculation. A force of 250 police has been assigned to patrol the grounds and a special train has been chartered to carry the two teams and newspapermen between Pittsburg and Detroit during the games. It is probable that Mullin will hold down the slab for Detroit in the first game of the world's series, while Adams, who was recruited a year ago from the Denver club in the Western League, will pitch for Pittsburg. Weather predictions are that it will be fair tomorrow. The umpires will be selected at a meeting of the National commission tomorrow morning.

WILL WED DAUGHTER
OF U. S. ARMY COLONEL

The host of friends in Las Vegas will be interested to learn that Boaz Walton Long, son of Judge and Mrs. E. V. Long, of this city, will be wed on October 13th, at San Francisco, to Miss Winifred Pollock, daughter of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Otis Wheeler Pollock, of the city by the Golden Gate.

Invitations to the wedding have

TWO BIG RECLAMATION
PROJECTS ARE APPROVED

(Special Dispatch)
Santa Fe, N. M., Oct. 7.—Territorial Engineer Vernon L. Sullivan today approved the application of T. A. Ezell for a \$700,000 irrigation project in southern Eddy county, to take water out of the Pecos river and store it in a reservoir of 110,000 acre feet capacity; also the application of the Amargo Ditch and Land company, to take sixty second feet of water out of the Navajo river to reclaim eight thousand acres in Rio Arriba county near Lumberton, at a cost of \$40,000.

EMBEZZLER MAKES SENSATIONAL
ESCAPE FROM DENVER JAIL

Denver, Oct. 7.—Oscar E. Droegge, wanted for embezzlement in New York, made a sensational escape from the city jail here early this morning.

While a confederate sawed through the bars of his cell from the outside, Droegge held his cell-mates at bay with a revolver. The confederate then stood guard for two hours, preventing the cell mates giving an alarm.

Stole \$10,000
New York, Oct. 7.—Oscar E. Droegge, who broke jail at Denver today, was a bookkeeper in the New York state sanitarium for incipient tuberculars.

been received by friends, simultaneously with the departure for the Pacific coast last night of the prospective groom.

The bride-to-be is well known in Las Vegas, she having visited here last winter, being a guest of Miss Teresa Long at the Long home on Seventh street. She is an exceedingly charming and lovely young woman, with a striking personality, and during her stay was very popular in exclusive social circles.

As for the groom-to-be, he needs no introduction, being the son of ex-Chief Justice and Mrs. Elisha V. Long, of this city. He is personally well known throughout the southwest. For several years he has been a resident of Mexico City, where he is a prosperous merchandise broker, with offices both in the Mexican capital and Chicago, having a small army of men in his employ.

GRAVE ABUSES IN DUKE
CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Albuquerque, N. M., Oct. 7.—Grave charges against the administration of the Albuquerque police department are made in a supplementary report of the territorial grand jury presented to Judge Ira A. Abbott late yesterday afternoon. The charges concern themselves chiefly with the manner of assessing and collecting fines, which is declared to be illegal, arbitrary and unjust; the process of assessing costs and the record, as it is alleged, the absence of record kept in police court cases.

No indictments were returned by the grand jury, but it is recommended in the supplementary report that the city council should take immediate action to correct the system of fines, record and accounting complained of, the report concluding with the statement that the present system in the police department is "a reproach to the administration of law."

The jury was occupied with the police department investigation for two or three days. A considerable number of witnesses were examined but it is understood that the jury was not able to connect a sufficient chain of evidence to warrant an indictment upon the line on which the charges are based.

HARMON MURDER TRIAL
DRAWING TO A CLOSE

(Special Dispatch)
Raton, N. M., Oct. 7.—It was expected that the Harmon murder case would be given to the jury late this evening, closing arguments having been begun this afternoon. This case has been one of the most bitterly contested in the history of Colfax county, the best criminal lawyers in the territory being employed to represent Elbert Harmon, the defendant. The jury is expected to be out some time. In any event a verdict is not likely before sometime tomorrow, even should the case be given to it this evening.

BATTLE OF KING'S
MOUNTAIN CELEBRATED

Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 7.—King's Mountain day, in commemoration of the Battle of King's Mountain in the Revolutionary war, when the British forces were defeated, is being celebrated throughout South Carolina and Tennessee today.

NO MORE SETTLING OF CASES
OUT OF COURT, SAYS WARD

The unlawful, not to say vicious, practice of settling criminal cases out of court is to be a thing of the past in San Miguel county. That is, this is to be the case if District Attorney Charles W. G. Ward has his way about it.

District Attorney Ward gave a statement to The Optic today relative to the John Calloway forgery case, mention of which was made in last evening's Optic.

"There is to be no settling of criminal cases out of court hereafter where I can prevent it," stated the district attorney today. "I would not listen to the efforts made to drop the prosecution of John Calloway, the negro arrested yesterday, charged with passing forged checks at the Optimo, Arcade and Antlers saloons. As a result Calloway this morning when arraigned before Justice of the Peace D. R. Murray, waived a preliminary examination and was held to the grand jury in the sum of \$500 bail, which he failed to give and as a result is still in jail. The persons who take it upon themselves to settle cases out of court where the offense is a felony, hold themselves liable to prosecution on the charge of compounding a felony. The practice

PLAYRIGHT
TIRES OF
WIFEJAMES M. BARRIE, THE AUTHOR,
PETITIONS FOR SEPARA-
TION

CAUSES MILD SENSATION

HE WAS GENERALLY BELIEVED
TO HAVE SOLVED FEMININE
CHARACTER

BOOKS INDICATED THIS

HOWEVER, DIVORCE ACTION,
COUPLED WITH WRITINGS,
ARE INCONGRUOUS

London, Oct. 7.—The announcement from London that James M. Barrie, author and playwright, has petitioned for a separation from his wife, has created much comment here. Barrie's wonderful grasp of feminine character shown in his books and plays, has always been supposed to have been inspired by a perfect agreement with his wife, and the idea of divorce, coupled with the author of "When a Man's Single" and "What Every Woman Knows," is regarded as decidedly incongruous.

SON OF A LAS VEGAS
MAN RUNS PLOW WORKS

A. C. Barber, son of Ebenezer Barber, a West side alderman, has just been promoted to be general manager of the Moline Plow works at Moline, Ill., at the handsome salary of \$12,000 per year. He also has stock in the works to the amount of \$65,000.

Mr. Barber is now in New York city on business for his company and will visit Galveston, Texas, before returning to the Illinois city. He and his wife visited the "old" man in Las Vegas last spring, spending two days with him, and they now insist upon it that he repay the compliment by going and spending the entire winter with them and "the kids."

UNOFFICIAL RESULTS
OF BIG BALLOON RACE

St. Louis, Oct. 7.—Unofficial results of the big balloon race which started Monday at St. Louis, give first place for distance flight to the St. Louis III, S. L. Von Phul, pilot, and the endurance prize to the New York, C. B. Harmon, pilot. The latter also established a new world's record for height, reaching an elevation of 24,200 feet.

MICHIGAN PROTECTS
HOTEL BELL BOYS

Saginaw, Mich., Oct. 7.—Hotel bell boys in Michigan will no longer be allowed to carry drinks between the bar and a guest's room. There is a statute making it an offense to hire boys to do anything demoralizing to their character and the hotel proprietors will be notified that boys under 21 will not be allowed to serve drinks.